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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: [redacted]  
Deputy to the DCI for Collection Tasking

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Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

SUBJECT: Defense Reconnaissance Support Program (DRSP)

1. Action Requested: That you consider the proposal below for handling DRSP and if you agree with the contents, get SECDEF agreement to the stipulations during your next meeting with him.

2. Background: During DRSP concept development we provided a number of comments (both written and verbal) detailing our reservations and concerns. Some of these comments were incorporated in the plan; several others were not.

a. The most recent DRSP draft (attached) does specify that your prior approval is required for overhead systems that augment or modify the NRP; the plan calls for continuation of the existing DCI tasking mechanisms (except as otherwise specified by MOA); and it recognizes your responsibility and authority to protect intelligence sources and methods.

b. The plan approved by Deputy Secretary Claytor does provide for a clear separation of NRP and DRSP staffs, but will have an impact on the NRO and its program offices. It does not delineate processing responsibilities (between CCP and TCP for example); and thus far, DOD has not accepted your recommendation on two specific systems--MAPSAT and DDS. Further, the programmatic actions already initiated by DOD belie assurances that there will be full and early consultation on DRSP systems that augment the NRP or that are likely to compete with the NRP for funding. (For example, there has been no DCI participation in the current DNRO initiative to include [redacted] in the DRSP.) Finally, program augmentation is all in one direction. In addition to using the DRSP to supplement the

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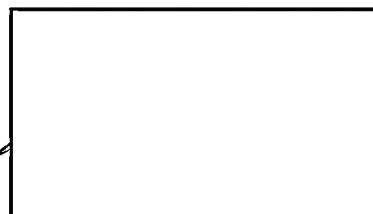
3. Discussion: It is evident that the Secretary of Defense intends to press ahead with the DRSP despite our concern. Since he has this prerogative, our response should attempt to derive whatever benefits we can from DRSP actions (e.g., joint funding of [ ] while at the same time, minimizing the negative aspects that could impact adversely on NRP systems. The DRSP Plan specifies that prior DCI approval is required for systems that modify or augment the NRP.

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4. The DCI involvement is needed at an earlier stage than is presently planned. As we understand it the current program is to have the DRSP Review Group meet after program decisions have been made. In order to ensure that there is agreement on specific systems prior to program decisions, we believe you should be represented on the DRSP Review Group with the stipulation that the Group meet early enough in the program and budget cycles to effect planning on the appropriateness of <sup>new</sup> satellite reconnaissance systems in both the DRSP <sup>and</sup> the NFIP. This forum should also address possible conflicts between CCP and TCP initiatives in support of the NRP and DRSP, and all of its deliberations should delve into sufficient detail both in Procurement and Research and Development requests to allow a true assessment of proposed capabilities.

5. Recommendation: You discuss DRSP with Secretary Brown, get his agreement to you having a representative to the DRSP Review Group and that the Group deliberations be detailed and be held prior to the beginning of the program and budget cycles.

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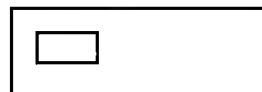
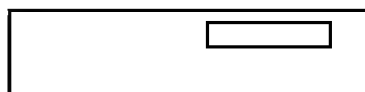
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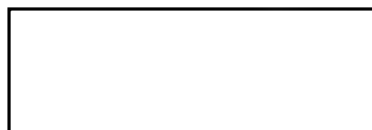
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

17 October 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: DRSP

In response to your memorandum dated 10 October 1980, I believe that a DCI representative on the Review Group would go a long way toward covering all of the points I raised in my 7 October memorandum to you. However, I would recommend in addition that the DCI/CT and DCI/RMS organizations take the initiative in requesting periodic and timely reviews of the DRSP systems such as the [REDACTED] Satellites as soon as concept formulation has commenced. This kind of frequent interaction will permit an orderly process for optimizing the potential of such systems for satisfying National intelligence requirements, as well as identifying possible areas of overlap and duplication with the NRP. This will help to insure that the NRP and DRSP budget submissions will pass the detailed Congressional scrutiny that will certainly take place.



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To 5: Please consult with RMS and prepare response for the DCI's signature.

*[Signature]*  
D/Executive Secretary

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